

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Otake et al.		Art Unit:
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Commissioner for Patents  
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement of May 21, 2009, for which a Response is due by June 21, 2009. The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the accompanying remarks.

Any additional fees associated with this Response may be charged to Merck Deposit Account No. 13-2755.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.